## **CHAPTER NO. 878**

## SENATE BILL NO. 3152

## By Davis

Substituted for: House Bill No. 3180

By West

AN ACT To amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-3017 and Title 55, Chapter 50, relative to minors withdrawn from secondary schools.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-3017, is amended by adding a new subsection thereto, as follows:

(f) Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, any student under eighteen (18) years of age enrolled in a course leading to a GED who has five (5) or more unexcused absences in a semester shall not be considered as making satisfactory academic progress and such student's motor vehicle driver license shall be suspended, or if such student does not have a motor vehicle driver license the student shall be ineligible to obtain a motor vehicle driver license, until such student reaches eighteen (18) years of age. The attendance teacher, superintendent, or director of a GED program shall notify the Department of Safety whenever any student under eighteen (18) years of age enrolled in a course leading to a GED has five (5) or more unexcused absences in a semester.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2000, the public welfare requiring

it.

PASSED: May 22, 2000

JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER

APPROVED this Day of 2000

DON SUNDQUIST, GOVERNOR

Pursuant to Article III, Section 18, of the Constitution of the State of Tennessee, the Governor had Senate Bill No. 3152 in his possession longer than ten (10) days, so therefore the bill becomes law without the Governor's signature.